

**STATE CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**January 13, 2016**

1. The Chair called to order the regular meeting of the State Codes and Standards Committee. The meeting was held in the conference room (room G38) at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

2. **In Attendance:**

Carlton Smith, Chair  
Anthony Bruno  
John Butkus  
Paul Costello  
Thomas DiBlasi  
Donald Doeg  
John Ferrucci  
Keith Flood  
Louis Free  
Robert Hanbury  
Donald Harwood  
George Iskra  
Mark Mastropasqua  
David McKinley  
Henry Miga  
Michael Musco  
Glenn Neilson  
Eric Shutt  
Michael Sinsigalli  
Fred Wajcs, Jr.  
William Zoeller

**Also Present:**

Daniel Tierney, OSBI  
Bill Abbott, OSFM  
Terry Brouwer, OSFM  
Joseph Kingston, OSFM  
Jenna Padula, DAS Legal  
Bruce Spiewak, AIA  
Dave Lafond, NFSA

3. Attendance was taken and a quorum was present. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the December 9, 2015 meeting. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

#### **4. COMMUNICATIONS**

Motion was made and seconded to go out of order to address items d and e. All in favor. Motion carried.

- a. **A-8-15. Correspondence from Robert Weber, Jr. re appeal from Robert Weber, Jr., Esq., re Rocky Hill Building Official's decision re 374 New Britain Avenue, Rocky Hill, CT. See section Appeal Hearings 8.c. On 12/15/15 appellant requested postponement. On 1/6/16 correspondence received from Rocky Hill Building Official. On 1/13/16 deferred to Legal Counsel to draft response to appellant's postponement request.**
- b. **A-9-15 A&B. Request for appeal from Philip Sherman re Deputy State Building Inspector's decision re A) M-977-15B and b) M-977-15C re Norwalk Community College-West Campus, 188 Richards Avenue, Norwalk, CT. William Zoeller is recused. On 1/5/16 appellant withdrew A-9-15B. Appellant will continue to pursue A-9-15A. Panel consists of Glenn Neilson, Panel Chair; Louis Free and John Butkus. Fred Wajcs, Jr. will be the alternate. Hearing was set for Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. in G38.**
- c. **A-10-15. Request for appeal from Daniel DelPino re State Fire Marshal's decision re FM-0279-15 re 180 Elm Street, West Haven, CT. Panel consists of Michael Sinsigalli, Panel Chair; Donald Harwood and Mark Mastropasqua. Carlton Smith will be the alternate. Hearing was set for Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. in room G38A.**
- d. **Correspondence received from Department of Administrative Services Commissioner Currey, appointing John Ferrucci as the HVAC Trades member effective 12/24/15. John was welcomed to the Committee.**
- e. **Correspondence received from Department of Administrative Services Commissioner Currey, appointing Mark Mastropasqua as the Labor member effective 12/24/15. Mark was welcomed to the Committee.**
- f. **A-11-15. Request for appeal from Robert Maccarini re Deputy State Building Inspector's decision re M-1045-15B re Chuck's Automotive, 653 Burnside Avenue, East Hartford, CT. Panel consists of \*Henry Miga, Panel Chair; Keith Flood and George Iskra. Robert Hanbury will be the alternate. \*Due to schedule conflict, Robert Hanbury will serve as Panel Chair. Hearing was set for Wednesday, 2/10/16 at 10:00 a.m. in G38.**

- g. **A-7-15 (A-D). Correspondence re appeal from Amy Blume, Esq., re New Haven Building Official's decision re**  
**A) 89 Union Avenue, (Great Green Building, Unit 6), New Haven, CT**  
**re no permit**  
**B) 89 Union Ave., 169 Union Ave., and 94 Columbus Avenue, New Haven, CT**  
**re failed roof coverings in 17 buildings**  
**C) 89 Union Avenue (aka Cinque Green Building), New Haven, CT**  
**re roof coverings & water infiltration**  
**D) 89 Union Avenue (Great Green Building, Units 1-6), New Haven, CT**  
**re means of egress.** Panel consists of Robert Hanbury, Panel Chair; Fred Wajcs, Jr. and Henry Miga. Glenn Neilson will be the alternate. Hearing set for November 10, 2015 was not held; on 10/29/15 appellant requested 60 day postponement. See section Appeal Hearings 8.b. On 1/6/16 appellant requested another 60 day postponement.
- h. **A-1-16. Request for appeal from Diane Whitney, Esq., re Deputy State Building Inspector and Office of Protection and Advocacy's decision re Seabury Independent Living, 200 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT. Panel consists of David McKinley, Panel Chair; Robert Hanbury and Fred Wajcs, Jr. Keith Flood will be the alternate. Timeliness issue to be addressed prior to appeal hearing. Hearing set for Wednesday, 2/10/16, at 9:00 a.m. in G38.**
- i. **A-10-14. Correspondence re appeal from Bruce Spiewak re State Fire Marshal's decision re FM-0263-14 re Sandy Hook School, Building 2, 12 Dickinson Drive, Newtown, CT. See section Appeal Hearings 8.a. On 1/6/16 appellant withdrew appeal.**

## **5. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. **Codes Amendment Subcommittee: (Free)**  
Next meeting is set for **February 10, 2016.**
- b. **Ethics/Procedural Regulations Subcommittee: (Harwood)**  
There was no report. Next meeting is set for **Friday, 2/5/16, at 11:30 a.m. in room 532.**

## **6. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no report.

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

**a. Staff Report**

Dan Tierney, OSBI, discussed a fast track approval for the adoption of the building codes. Bill Abbott, OSFM, discussed reviewing the certification policy for fire marshals.

**b. Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee (Harwood & Sinsigalli)**

There was no report. Meeting date to be set.

**c. Joint Building Code Training Council (Musco)/ Fire Marshal Training Council (Harwood)/ (aka Joint BCTC/FMTC)**

Next meeting set for **Wednesday, 1/20/16 at 10:00 a.m.**

**d. Report on Bills**

There was no report.

**8. APPEAL HEARINGS**

- a. A-10-14. Appeal from Bruce Spiewak re State Fire Marshal's decision re FM-0263-14 re Sandy Hook School, Building 2, 12 Dickinson Drive, Newtown, CT. Appeal panel was not set.** On 10/8/14 appellant requested appeal be tabled until the November meeting. On 12/10/14 appellant requested this appeal be postponed until a draft determination is made by the Codes Amendment Subcommittee re what parts of Chapter 10 (Fire Code and Building Code) will be recommended for approval. Reason for modification denial stated in part that, "C&S had not addressed that section of the code yet." **On 1/6/16 appellant withdrew appeal. Remove from agenda.**
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- c. **A-8-15. Request for appeal from Robert Weber, Jr., Esq., re Rocky Hill Building Official's decision re 374 New Britain Avenue, Rocky Hill, CT.** Panel consists of Glenn Neilson, Panel Chair; William Zoeller and John Butkus. Robert Hanbury will be the alternate. **Hearing set for 2/10/16 was not held; on 12/15/15 appellant requested postponement. Hearing was rescheduled to Wednesday, 3/9/16, at 11:00 a.m. in room G38. On 1/6/16 correspondence received from Rocky Hill Building Official. On 1/13/16 deferred to Legal Counsel to draft response to appellant's postponement request. Hold on agenda.**

**9. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

The Chair noted that the full committee was present and thanked members for their effort and attendance.

The next Codes and Standards Committee meeting is set for **February 10, 2016** and will be held in conference **room G38**, at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

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Paul Costello, Secretary